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SUBJ: US GEOLOGICAL SURVEY RESEARCH ON BAHAMAS BANK, 1975-76

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1. EMBASSY WILLING TO MAKE APPROACH TO GCOB MINEXTAFF ON SUBJECT RESEARCH REQUEST. AS DEPT AWARE, HOWEVER, UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI HAS WORKED OUT ITS ANNUAL BLANKET RESEARCH CLEARANCE PROCEDURE WITH MINISTRY PRIVATELY AND WITHOUT REFERENCE TO EMBASSY. SINCE USGS UNIT IS LOCATED AT U OF MIAMI, SUGGEST UNIT MAY WISH TO CONSULT WITH UNIVERSITY SCIENTISTS WHO HAVE PERSONAL CONTACTS WITH ORIS RUSSELL AND RICHARD BEALS CONCERNING BLANKET CLEARANCE.

2. EMBASSY UNDERSTANDS FROM PREVIOUS INFORMAL CONVERSATIONS WITH RUSSELL ON U OF MIAMI RELATIONSHIP THAT UNIVERSITY ORDINARILY OUTLINES GENERAL AREA TO BE COVERED BY PROJECTED RESEARCH AND IN CONSIDERABLY GREATER DETAIL DESCRIBES PURPOSE OF RESEARCH AND PROCEDURES AND EQUIPMENT TO BE USED. AFTER BLANKET CLEARANCE GRANTED U OF MIAMI FOR GIVEN YEAR, SPECIFICS OF TIMES AND PLACES OF PARTICULAR PROJECTS FOLLOW WHEN AVAILABLE. EMBASSY UNDERSTOOD FROM RUSSELL THAT BLANKET CLEARANCE REQUEST SUBMITTED BY U OF MIAMI WELL BEFORE BEGINNING OF CALENDAR YEAR INVOLVED.

3. IF USGS CHOOSES TO SEEK BLANKET CLEARANCE ON ITS OWN, EMBASSY WOULD HOPE TO BE KEPT INFORMED OF PROGRESS AND PROVIDED WITH COPIES OF ALL CORRESPONDENCE. SHOULD ANY HITCHES DEVELOP, EMBASSY OF COURSE WILL BE GLAD TO UNDERTAKE MORE

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